

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF HAYWARD

City Council Chambers 777 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541 Tuesday, January 18, 2000, 8:00 p.m.

MEETING

The Special Joint Meeting of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency was called to order by Mayor Cooper at 8:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Jimenez..

ROLL CALL

Present:

COUNCIL/RA MEMBERS Jimenez, Hilson,

Rodriquez, Ward, Dowling, Henson

MAYOR/CHAIR Cooper

Absent:

None

PRESENTATION: January 31 – February 7, 2000 as Voter Registration Week in Hayward

Mayor Cooper read the proclamation and presented it to Dr. Seavey-Thomas. She accepted the proclamation on behalf of the League of Women Voters, noting and acknowledging the many hardworking volunteers who maintain over 140 sites with registration materials. Lastly, she encouraged the community to utilize the Smartvoter website for election information including candidacy information and precinct locations.

CONSENT

Item #2 was removed for further discussion.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency of January 11, 2000

It was moved by <u>Council/RA Member Hilson</u>, seconded by Council/RA Member Jimenez, and <u>unanimously carried</u> to approve the Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency of January 11, 2000.

2. Authorization for Local Match for Federal Transportation Enhancement Act for the 21st Century (TEA21) Projects

Staff report submitted by Deputy Director of Public Works Bauman, dated January 18, 2000, was filed.

Ron Barklow, 1210 Tiegen Drive, asked how a street is rated and how local streets could be placed on this funding list. He also asked for a more detailed report on the Industrial Parkway projects.

Director of Public Works Butler responded that the funding is prioritized for federal highway projects and will all be overlay projects. In order to be eligible, the roads have to be on the federal aid system.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Ward</u>, seconded by Council Member Henson, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to adopt the following:

Resolution 00-014, "Resolution Authorizing a Grant Application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for Fiscal Years 1998-99 and 1999-00"

3. Request for an Additional Appropriation of Community Development Block Grant Funds for the Eden Youth and Family Center Sewer Replacement Project

Staff report submitted by Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman, dated January 18, 2000, was filed.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Hilson</u>, seconded by Council Member Jimenez, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to adopt the following:

Resolution 00-013, "Resolution Amending Budget Resolution 99-108, As Amended, the Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 1999-2000, Relating to a Supplemental Appropriation of Community Development Block Grant Funds for the Sewer Replacement Project at the Eden Youth Center"

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

4. Revision to Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance of the Hayward Municipal Code

Staff report submitted by Deputy Director of Public Works Bauman, for January 18, 2000, was filed.

Director of Public Works Butler made the staff presentation, depicting the revisions that are proposed by the latest Flood Insurance Rate Maps determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The latest maps for Hayward were adopted in August, 1999. Overall, there are about 187 residential properties and 134 industrial properties that were added to the flood plain; about 129 of both residential and industrial were removed. He then discussed the changes more specifically, referencing the maps. He suggested that, in order to properly notify those property owners who have been added, it would be appropriate to try to delay the effective date of the new maps. Currently, they are scheduled to go into effect February 9, 2000. A letter has been prepared and signed by the mayors of Hayward, San Leandro, Union City, Newark and Fremont requesting a 60-day delay in the implementation in order to provide additional time for affected property owners to gain information about this and to obtain the required insurance before



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the effective date. FEMA also requires the City to update its Flood Prevention Ordinance to maintain participation in the Federal Flood Insurance Program. He then outlined the various changes to the Ordinance language. He noted that the Publics Works Director will also be designated as the Flood Plain Administrator, since there is currently none. He said language will be incorporated to simplify the future process and allow Council to adopt FEMA studies and rate maps by resolution.

Council Member Ward referenced the previous work session on this subject. He asked for more clarification on the notification process used by staff to notify the affected property owners, both those which have been added, as well as those who will be removed from the flood plain area.

Director of Public Works Butler reported that over the past two weeks, letters were mailed to all the affected property owners, both those added and those removed. Staff has received approximately 21 inquiries on 30 affected parcels. He added that there are not a lot of projects on the part of the Alameda County Flood Control District in their five-year Capital Improvement Program relative to projects that may affect the flood plain as designated on the FEMA maps, other than to some of the areas near Alameda Creek. It primarily affects industrial property more than residential.

In response to a question from Council Member Henson, Mr. Butler reported that FEMA made the determination to update the maps for the cities in Southern Alameda County based on new information about the cities. He added that the people who were previously in the Flood Zone and have been removed, will now have the option of dropping their flood insurance. They do not have to drop their insurance but might employ this as a money saving measure.

Mayor Cooper opened the public hearing at 8:25 p.m.

Ron Barklow, 1210 Tiegen Drive, was dismayed that there were no notes from the Work Session. He then asked whether the ground under Spanish Ranch had not been destabilized from the past many years of flooding. He also asked about the endangered species and expressed concern of keeping the trash out of the creeks.

Alameda County Flood Control District has the main responsibility for flood control in the City. The County has undertaken a project to build a wall this summer along the Creek at Spanish Ranch. Director of Public Works Butler added that with the wall, Spanish Ranch will no longer be in the flood plain.

Frank Goulart, 22248 Main Street, asked whether this could be called the 100-year flood plain map and how many properties are affected? He suggested that new developments in the hills will have to be more responsible in taking care of the water run-off since it creates problems in the flats.

Director of Public Works Butler responded that the 100-year storm is defined as a storm that has a one percent chance of occurring in any given year, from this is developed the 100-year flood plain

map. Flood insurance is required on those properties within that designated area. He noted that previously, there were 187 residential properties listed and 134 industrial properties added with 129 properties removed.

Francisco Abrantes asked about the cost of flood insurance. He then called attention to the South of 92-project, which will require close to \$100 a month per home in flood insurance.

Director of Public Works Butler indicated that those who were not previously in a flood zone and who are now, the cost of flood insurance would probably double.

Mayor Cooper closed the public hearing at 8:37 p.m.

Council Member Hilson referred to the flooding at Spanish Ranch in February. He asked whether the planned improvements will be adequate to prevent flooding upstream.

Director of Public Works Butler said he did not believe there would be any capacity improvements to the channel. They would merely add a flood-wall along Spanish Ranch to prevent any water that may top the channel from getting in to the development.

Council Member Jimenez asked whether Spanish Ranch residents might not have some recourse from the developer.

Mr. Butler said he is aware of extensive discussions between the owner and Alameda County relative to responsibility for the flooding. He suspects the improvements being done are part of a solution to those problems. He did not speculate as to whether there is any legal recourse.

Council Member Ward added that City officials and staff must do all that is necessary to make sure the affected community is informed about the changes, even if it means staff going to the neighborhoods where there are large numbers of properties affected by these changes. He implied that there are major cost implications and the City needs to realize that they are responsible to the residents.

City Manager Armas reminded Members that a number of Mayors would be going to Washington to the Council of Mayors and while there, they will seek to gain an appointment with either Senator Feinstein or Senator Boxer to request, in augmentation to the letter, that more time is needed before full implementation takes effect.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Henson</u>, seconded by Council Member Hilson, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> by all present, to introduce:

Ordinance 00-__, "An Ordinance Amending Flood Damage Prevention and Flood Plain Management Standards Contained in Chapter 9, Article 4 of the Hayward Municipal Code"

5. Authorization to Submit Funding Proposal to the State as Part of the Safe Routes to Schools



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Program

Staff report submitted by Deputy Director of Public Works Bauman, for January 18, 2000, was filed.

Public Works Director Butler made the presentation and responded to questions.

City Manager Armas explained that this is a follow-up from the joint school board-council meeting whereby an evaluation would be undertaking to and from each school campus. He said staff believes they meet the intent of the legislation.

Council Member Hilson asked about various campuses and how this would benefit them. He asked whether a barrier near Huntwood Avenue and Schafer Road might be effective to keep students from crossing to Tennyson High School.

Public Works Director Butler responded that the details of the design had not been fully developed at this point but could include a barrier. He added that, with the limited amount of funding, the City would have to prioritize.

Council Member Henson asked for a clarification on the traffic signal installation with various phases. He asked whether other types of technology would be utilized, such as flashing lights when children are crossing.

Public Works Director Butler indicated that technology will be considered.

Council Member Dowling asked how many students are crossing to attend two elementary schools, El Rancho Verde and Hillview Crest, at Mission Boulevard and Blanche Street.

City Manager Armas indicated that some of the New Haven Schools are housing both Hayward and Union City students. This has long been of interest. He said this has not been high on Caltrans list but by identifying other needs, it might be considered more relevant by them for further funding. He said they would need to do a pedestrian count to look beyond just automobile traffic to determine the need for traffic signals.

Council Member Ward mentioned a request for a traffic signal at Santa Clara and Larchmont. He encouraged Hayward to work with other cities to change the criteria used in making determinations as to when a stop signal is required. He suggested more emphasis be placed on the pedestrian count as opposed to the vehicle count.

Council Member Jimenez inquired about the process and why it was two phased. Staff noted that the first part of the submittal was to comment on the process, while the actual submittal of the applications is not due until April.

Mayor Cooper opened the public hearing at 9:00 p.m.

Lawrence W. Ferguson, 26207 Coleman Avenue, said he appreciated the Council for its safety concern at Tennyson School. He thanked Public Works Director Butler as well as Council Member Henson for listening to the community at a community meeting.

Jason Moreno, 25200 Carlos Bee Boulevard, suggested that this application include a request for crossing guards.

Ron Barklow, 1210 Tiegen, suggested including a cyclone fence along Tennyson and provide funding for its maintenance.

Mayor Cooper closed the public hearing at 9:03 p.m.

Council Member Rodriquez expressed an additional traffic concern when parents are dropping off children and picking them up.

City Manager Armas referred to a recent public meeting in the Harder Road area and indicated that their comments prompted staff to bring various recommendations to Council.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Hilson</u>, seconded by Council Member Rodriquez, and <u>unanimously carried</u> by all present, to authorize staff to submit applications for the planning activities, as well as three projects, in conjunction with the Safe Routes to School Program.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marlene Teel, 104 Newhall, spoke in response to criticism of the Police Department in past meetings. She emphasized the good that has come out of various community meetings conducted by the Police Department's administrative staff. She was most appreciative to the Police Department on behalf of her neighborhood in the Huntwood area.

Francisco Abrantes, 22815 Alice Street, thanked the Council for continuing public comments at the end of the meeting to give the public an opportunity to comment on other items.

Jason Moreno, 25200 Carlos Bee Boulevard, suggested that the City teach its citizens how to defend themselves from crime.

Frank Goulart, 22248 Main Street, spoke as a Council candidate. He emphasized the need for better traffic management and made suggestions such as signal timing throughout town, speed humps, stop signs, overpasses, grade separations and double left turn lanes towards this effort.

William Blundin, 1049 B Street, described several incidents involving the members of the Police Department on December 31, 1999.



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Mayor Cooper responded that members of the public safety staffs were to be ready for Y-2K emergencies on December 31. That would be why they were taking a dinner break downtown.

Council Member Jimenez, commented on a film festival sponsored by Commpre which involved a gay and lesbian film showing at Chabot College. He urged and suggested that Commpre utilize its time and efforts to pursue more community and alcohol-related efforts and events, which is their purpose in being.

Lawrence Ferguson, 26207 Coleman Avenue, offered neighborhood thanks to Officer Rankin. He is an outstanding officer who does a great job in their neighborhood.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Cooper announced that Council Member Henson was appointed Chairperson for Public Safety for the National League of Cities, and that Council Member Hilson was named Vice Chairperson of the Information and Technology Committee. She then announced that she and Council Member Rodriquez will be in Washington next week for the U.S. Conference of Mayors. They are hoping to see Federal Representatives to discuss the FEMA extension.

ADJOURNMENT	
Mayor Cooper adjourned at 9:27 p.m.	
APPROVED:	
Roberta Cooper	-
Mayor, City of Hayward	
Chair, Redevelopment Agency	
ATTEST:	
Angelina Reyes	
City Clerk, City of Hayward	
Secretary, Redevelopment Agency	